

## State of Arizona Department of Education

## **SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 17-021**

TO: Charter School Administrators, Directors, and Principals

FROM: Lyle Friesen, Deputy Associate Superintendent of School Finance

DATE: October 1, 2016

SUBJECT: 10/1/2016 Basic Calculation for Equalization Assistance Report (CHAR 55-1) and

Equalization Assistance Detail Report (CHAR 64-1)

The October 1, 2016 charter apportionment is complete. The CHAR55-1 and the CHAR64-1 equalization assistance reports for charters are posted on each charter school's home page of the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) School Finance website at <a href="http://www.ade.az.gov/districts">http://www.ade.az.gov/districts</a>. If assistance is required for finding or viewing these reports, please contact the ADE IT Technology Support team at (602) 542-7378 or toll free at (866) 577-9636.

All eligible charters were paid based on their estimated counts submitted on September 15, 2016 by 4:30 p.m. The Charter School Student Enrollment Summary report is available for download and review from the School Finance website. If the charter has any concerns or questions regarding the Enrollment Summary report, please contact the assigned account analyst for the charter. A list of account analysts is located at:

https://www.azed.gov/Administrators/SF/Lists/LEAAccountAnalysts/AllItems.aspx

## Important Notes:

- Preliminary Charter Additional Assistance reduction, \$18,656,000, per session law, was included by September 1<sup>st</sup> payment.
- *Small School Weight adjustment was included by September 1<sup>st</sup> payment.*
- K-3 reading funding, all eligible charters start to receive the funding by September 1<sup>st</sup> payment. To be eligible: **the charter is a letter A or B** <u>and</u> **the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade reading far below is less than 10%.** All other charters' K-3 reading funding will be released once we get the approval from the State Board.
- FY16 statewide recalculation is done. For all charters with positive adjustment, it can be found on page 1 of the FY17 CHAR 64-1 report. (under the line adjustment, 100% of the adjustment allocated by September payment) For charters with negative adjustment, it is still under SF review.



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For any questions regarding October 1, 2016 charter equalization calculation, please email <a href="mailto:SFPaymentTeam@azed.gov">SFPaymentTeam@azed.gov</a>. Please contact your Account Analyst if you have any questions about your estimated counts or other required student information. You can locate the contact information of the Account Analyst for the charter at:

https://www.azed.gov/Administrators/SF/Lists/LEAAccountAnalysts/AllItems.aspx.